

48. (cancelled)

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3 – 11, 13 – 24, 27 – 32 and 43 – 48 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 3 – 8, 10, 11, 19- 24 and 43 – 48 have been cancelled. The allowability of claims 9, 13 – 18 and 27 – 32 is hereby acknowledged. Due to the cancellation of claims 1, 3 – 8, 10, 11, 19- 24, and 43 – 48, the rejections are moot.

Accordingly, the case is now in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application. The Examiner is requested to telephone applicants' attorney at the number listed below if it will advance the prosecution of this case. If necessary, the Examiner is authorized to charge further fees necessary to advance the prosecution in this case from Deposit Account No. 500718.

Respectfully submitted,

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